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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING THE FIVE-YEAR APPROPRIATIONS REQUIREMENT FOR  
102 BILLS THAT CHANGE THE PERIODS OF INCARCERATION IN STATE  
103 CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES.

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Bill Summary

*(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://www.leg.state.co.us/bills summaries>.)*

**Joint Budget Committee.** Under current law, the fiscal note for a bill that results in a net increase or decrease in incarceration periods in state correctional facilities must include the long-term costs of the bill including capital construction and operating costs for the 5 years following the passage of the bill. Current law also requires any bill that

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.  
*Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.*  
*Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.*

results in a net increase or decrease in incarceration periods in state correctional facilities include appropriations for the first 5 years there is a fiscal impact to the bill. The bill changes the timing in both instances to 5 years following the effective date of the bill. The bill clarifies that the capital construction and operating costs that are subject to the 5-year appropriation clause are limited to department of corrections costs. The bill also requires that the fiscal note and appropriations clause account for the parole costs associated with the bill. The bill clarifies that state correctional facilities include private prisons.

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1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 2-2-701, **amend** (3);  
3 and **add** (4) as follows:

4 **2-2-701. General assembly - bills regarding the sentencing of**  
5 **criminal offenders - legislative intent - definitions.** (3) On and after  
6 July 1, 1994, any bill which is introduced at any session of the general  
7 assembly which affects criminal sentencing and which may result in a net  
8 increase or a net decrease in periods of imprisonment in state correctional  
9 facilities shall be reviewed by the director of research of the legislative  
10 council for the purpose of providing information to the general assembly  
11 on the long-term fiscal impact which may result from the passage of the  
12 bill, including the increased capital construction costs, ~~and~~ increased  
13 operating costs, AND INCREASED PAROLE COSTS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF  
14 CORRECTIONS for the first five fiscal years following ~~passage~~ THE  
15 EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE BILL. THE DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE IN THE  
16 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS  
17 SHALL ASSIST THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL IN CALCULATING INCREASED  
18 PAROLE COSTS.

19 (4) FOR PURPOSES OF THIS PART 7, "STATE CORRECTIONAL  
20 FACILITIES" MEANS ANY FACILITY UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF THE

1 DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS IN WHICH PERSONS ARE OR MAY BE  
2 LAWFULLY HELD IN CUSTODY AS A RESULT OF CONVICTION OF A CRIME  
3 AND ANY PRISON FACILITY OPERATED BY A COUNTY, CITY AND COUNTY,  
4 OR PRIVATE CORPORATION LOCATED IN THIS STATE OR ANOTHER STATE;  
5 EXCEPT THAT IT DOES NOT INCLUDE ANY LOCAL JAIL,  
6 MULTIJURISDICTIONAL JAIL, OR COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS CENTER.

7 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend 2-2-703** as  
8 follows:

9 **2-2-703. General assembly - bills which result in a net increase**  
10 **in periods of imprisonment in state correctional facilities - funding**  
11 **must be provided in the bill.** On and after July 1, 1991, ~~no~~ A bill may  
12 NOT be passed by the general assembly which would result in a net  
13 increase in periods of imprisonment in state correctional facilities unless,  
14 in such bill, there is an appropriation of ~~moneys~~ MONEY which is  
15 sufficient to cover any increased capital construction costs, ~~and~~ any  
16 increased operating costs, AND INCREASED PAROLE COSTS which are the  
17 result of such bill FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS in each of the  
18 first five years ~~in which there is a fiscal impact as a result of the bill~~  
19 FOLLOWING THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE BILL. ~~Moneys~~ MONEY sufficient  
20 to cover such increased capital construction costs and increased operating  
21 costs for the first five fiscal years ~~in which there is a fiscal impact as a~~  
22 ~~result of the bill shall~~ FOLLOWING THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE BILL MUST  
23 be estimated by the appropriations committee, and after consideration of  
24 such estimate the general assembly shall make a determination as to the  
25 amount of ~~moneys~~ MONEY sufficient to cover the costs, and such ~~moneys~~  
26 ~~shall~~ MONEY MUST be appropriated in the bill in the form of a statutory  
27 appropriation from the general fund in the years affected. Any such bill

1 which is passed on or after July 1, 1991, which is silent as to whether it  
2 is intended to be an exception to this section, shall not be deemed to be  
3 such an exception. Any bill which is enacted which is intended to be an  
4 exception to this section ~~shall~~ MUST expressly state such exception in such  
5 bill.

6           **SECTION 3. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act  
7 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the  
8 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August  
9 10, 2016, if adjournment sine die is on May 11, 2016); except that, if a  
10 referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the  
11 state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act  
12 within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect  
13 unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in  
14 November 2016 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the  
15 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.